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In response to the Office Action of August 25, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is attached following page 16 of this paper. **Appendix A** (6 pages) comprises Kurokawa et al. (DNA Sequence 10(1):37-42 1999). **Appendix B** (6 pages) comprises the results of a keyword search of NBCI nucleotide database.

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**Appendix C** comprises a PileUp multiple sequence alignment (3 pages); a HmmerPfam motif analysis; and Bateman *et al.* (Nucleic Acids Res. 28(1):263-266 2000).